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PACKET STREAMS BETWEEN STORAGE  
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated August 18, 2008, finally rejecting claims 19, 20, 35, 37, 41, 43, 45, 46, 48, 49, and 51, please amend the above-identified U.S. Patent application as follows: